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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6288

BILL NUMBER: HB 1199

NOTE PREPARED: Dec 6, 2014

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: TECC Trainer Programs.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. McNamara

FIRST SPONSOR:

BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FUNDS AFFECTED: X **GENERAL**
DEDICATED
FEDERAL

IMPACT: State

Summary of Legislation: *Development of TECC Curriculum-* The bill requires the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) to develop core curriculum requirements and standards for an 80-hour tactical emergency casualty care (TECC) trainer program, not later than July 1, 2015. It also requires the DHS to develop an 80-hour trainer program based upon the core curriculum requirements and standards, not later than January 1, 2016.

Accreditation of Third-Party Programs- The bill allows the DHS to approve 80-hour trainer programs developed by third parties that substantially meet the core curriculum requirements and standards developed by the DHS.

Consultation- The bill requires the DHS to consult and cooperate with the Law Enforcement Training Board and the Emergency Medical Services Commission to develop core curriculum requirements and standards for trainer programs. The bill also allows the DHS to consult, cooperate, or contract with certain colleges or universities, or other individuals or entities, for the development of trainer programs.

Effective Date: July 1, 2015.

Explanation of State Expenditures: *Development of TECC Curriculum-* The DHS would have the option to develop their own TECC trainer program or approve a trainer program developed and taught by a third-party entity that meets the curriculum standards approved by the DHS. The DHS would also need to develop or approve a refresher course for certified trainers. So long as the DHS does not need to hire additional consultants and does not elect to develop their own trainer program, then the DHS would likely be able to adopt the curriculum standards within their existing level of resources.

If the DHS developed and offered the training itself, the bill would allow fees to be charged to, ideally, offset the cost of providing the training and materials for the program.

However, the DHS would have to establish a “trainer certificate” and issue them to persons who successfully complete either a TECC trainer program or TECC program. Depending on the number of persons completing training, it is likely the additional expenditure needed for printing and paper would be negligible.

Accreditation of Third-Party Programs- The bill allows the DHS to accredit the TECC programs of certain third parties and the TECC programs of third parties that meet the DHS's core curriculum requirements and is offered by a U.S. military branch, a federal or state accredited program, or a program provided by the National Association of Emergency Medical Technicians (NAEMT).

Consultation- The Technical Advisory Committee to the Emergency Medical Services Commission (EMSC) may need to meet to help advise in the development of a curriculum and then bring the proposed curriculum to the EMSC for a full vote. The Indiana Law Enforcement Training Board would likely be able to provide assistance to the DHS within existing resources. Cost of consultations with universities and other entities would depend on the contract terms.

Explanation of State Revenues: *Development of TECC Curriculum-* Were the DHS to develop and maintain their own TECC trainer program, the DHS would be allowed to establish a fee schedule for the reimbursement of items and services provided and the actual training conducted by the DHS. Fees would likely be adopted via rules and set to counter the expected program expense.

Additional Information- The National Association of Emergency Medical Technicians (NAEMT) specifies that the following must be achieved in order to become a TECC instructor.

- (1) Be a licensed emergency medical responder (EMR), emergency medical technician, or paramedic. EMRs are limited to their credentialed areas.
- (2) Pass examination with a minimum passing score of 76% correct answers.
- (3) Teach an initial course under supervision of another instructor.
- (4) Course work must have oversight by a TECC course coordinator.

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: DHS, EMSC, LETB.

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources: National Association of Emergency Medical Technicians: <http://www.naemt.org/>

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